

## Long Island Sound Eelgrass Collaborative – May 2026 Workshop Agenda

**Date:** Tuesday – May 19, 2026

**Location:** AM – Peconic Dunes Camp, 6375 Soundview Ave, Southold, NY 11971  
 PM – Cornell Cooperative Extension, 3690 Cedar Beach Road, Southold, NY 11971

**Notes:** \* please arrive to the ferry terminal 15 mins before departure  
 \* bus transport is provided free of charge

9:00 – 10:20	<b>Cross Sound Ferry</b> from New London to Orient Point (or in-state travel time for New Yorkers)
10:30 – 11:00	<b>Bus transport</b> from Orient Point ferry terminal to Peconic Dunes Camp
11:00 – 12:30	<p><b>11:00 – 12:00, Presentation &amp; Discussion</b>  <a href="#">Chris Patrick, Associate Professor</a>, Virginia Institute of Marine Science          Focus: infrastructure/setup and protocols used by the VIMS research team for seed based restoration efforts – challenges &amp; lessons learned</p> <p><b>12:00 – 12:30, Overview &amp; Group Discussion on Best Management Practices Draft</b>          Steve Schott, Marine Botany/Habitat Restoration Specialist, Cornell Cooperative Extension</p>
12:30 – 1:30	<b>Lunch (provided)</b> + networking and short walk to beach if interested
1:30 – 2:00	<b>Bus Transport</b> to Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Suffolk County
2:00 – 4:00	<p><b>CCE Site Visit (two groups rotate – 60 mins in each location)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. View CCE eelgrass restoration facility upgrades (outdoor)</li> <li>2. Breakouts (indoor – 20 mins each)             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Small group discussion with Chris Patrick</li> <li>b. Input on priority research topics</li> <li>c. CCE equipment demos</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
4:00	<b>Adjourn</b> (and prepare for bus transport back to Orient Point Ferry)
4:15 – 4:45	<b>Bus Transport</b> and board Orient Point Ferry
5:00	<b>Cross Sound Ferry</b> from Orient Point to New London (arrival at ~6:20)